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IF, AS IS POSSIBLE, EAST GERMAN PARTY CONGRESS PROVES TO BE FORUM FOR FURTHER HEIGHTENED ATTACK ON CHINESE COMMUNISTS, US INFORMATION MEDIA MAY WISH MAKE FOLLOWING POINTS TO SOVIET AUDIENCE AND TO WORLDWIDE AUDIENCE AS CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE IN RELATION TO BASIC SOVIET PROPAGANDA THEMES: THAT WORLD BALANCE OF POWER HAS SHIFTED TO COMMUNIST CAMP, THAT COMMUNISM'S FUTURE OF ALL MARKING, AND THAT ONLY COMMUNIST WORLD CAN ENSURE ABOLITION OF WAR.

1. MOSCOW HAS BEEN TALKING FOR PAST SEVERAL YEARS ABOUT ALLEGED SHIFT IN BALANCE OF WORLD POWER TO COMMUNIST SIDE. BASIC REASON FOR SPLIT IN WORLD COMMUNIST MOVEMENT IS LACK OF SUCCESS OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST MOVEMENT OVER PAST SEVERAL YEARS. IN FOREIGN FIELD THIS DEMONSTRATED BY FAILURE OF COMMUNISTS TO GAIN POWER IN ANY OF NEW AFRICAN, ASIAN, OR ARAB GOVERNMENTS, IN DOMESTIC FIELD BY SPECTACULAR FAILURE OF CHINESE COMMUNIST GREAT LEAP FORWARD AND IN SOVIET UNION BY ALMOST EQUALLY SPECTACULAR FAILURES TO SOLVE PROBLEMS IN AGRICULTURE, CONSUMER GOODS, AND HOUSING.

2. PREPONDERANCE OF WORLD POWER HAS IN FACT REMAINED WITH NON-COMMUNIST POWERS WHICH HAVE DEMONSTRATED INCREASING ECONOMIC, MILITARY, AND POLITICAL STRENGTH AND UNITY. SOVIETS YEAR AGO, FOR EXAMPLE, WERE SCOFFING AT COMMON MARKET. THIS NOW BECOMES BOGEYMAN WITH WHICH REGIME ATTEMPTS SCARE SOVIET WORKER TO MAKE GREATER SACRIFICES. NON-COMMUNIST WEST OUT OF POWER OF MARKET ECONOMIES IS CARRYING WITH RELATIVE EASE SUFFICIENT MILITARY BURDEN TO GUARANTEE ABSOLUTE NUCLEAR SUPERIORITY. COMMUNIST EUROPE AND ASIA CANNOT WIN IN NUCLEAR WAR, CANNOT WIN IN ARMS RACE.

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- ✓ 3. WEST HAS USED ITS POWER IN BEST INTERESTS OF WORLD PEACE. IN FACE OF RECKLESS SOVIET GAMBLE IN CUBA, US SHOWED GREAT RESTRAINT, AT MARKED RISK OF CHALLENGE TO SOVIETS APPLIED TO HUNGARY WHEN FACING WITH CHALLENGE IN NEIGHBORING ACHIEVEMENT.
- ✓ 4. DISUNITY IN COMMUNIST CAMP SUGGESTS THAT NOT ONLY WILL WORLD NEVER BE COMMUNIST BUT THAT COUNTRIES NOW UNDER COMMUNIST DOMINATION WILL MODIFY FUNDAMENTAL ASPECTS OF COMMUNIST SYSTEM AND REGAIN THEIR NATIONAL FREEDOM OF ACTION.
- ✓ 5. AS INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT, COMMUNISM MANIFESTLY IS NO LESS SUBJECT TO "CONTRADICTIONS" AND RIVAL NATIONALISMS THAN SO-CALLED CAPITALIST WORLD. SYSTEM WHICH, EVEN IN ITS INFANCY HAS PROVEN TO BE SUBJECT TO SUCH BITTER INTERMEDIANE QUARRELS AS TITO-STALIN AND KHRUSHCHEV-MAO SPLITS, CAN HARDLY BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY AS CAPABLE OUTLAWING WAR IF IT WERE TO SUCCEED IN EMBRACING WHOLE WORLD. INSTEAD OF FRUITLESS DEBATES ON DOGMA, COMMUNISTS SHOULD DEVOTE ENERGIES TO IMPROVING LIVES OF PEOPLE. KHRUSHCHEV PROMISES THE MOON (E.G., OVERTAKE US IN PER CAPITA PRODUCTION MEAT AND BUTTER BY 1961), BUT ALL HE DOES IN FACT IS POSTPONE DATE OF ACCOMPLISHMENT AND WASTE SOVIET TAXPAYER'S MONEY BY MOVING MISSILES AND PLANES TO CUBA AND THEN MOVING THEM BACK AGAIN.

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